

ABSTRACT

A method and apparatus for automatically translating documents from one language into another. The method includes comparing sample first and second documents representing the same, or similar ideas, written in a first and second language respectively, and creating a database associating words in the first language with words in the second language that are translations of each other. The method can also include translating a document from a first language into a second language. The method includes parsing the document in the first language into words or segments, finding words or segments in the second language that correspond to selected words or segments in the first language, and finding words or segments in the second language that correspond to combinations of words or segments in the first language.